

**Engineering Department** 

**CIP Project Number: MU0708** 

Title: Museum of Natural Science

**Project Phase: Construction** 

Cost for this Phase: \$ 3.6 Million

**Funding Sources: SL4B** 

**Project Manager: David Gaines** 

**Contractor:** E.E. Reed

**Consultant: PGAL** 

**Project Description:** Development of a satellite Houston Museum of Natural Science in partnership with the Museum, the City of Sugar Land and Telfair at the site of the old prison building located in the Telfair subdivision. Funding is allocated by construction phases.

**Justification:** The partnership presents a unique opportunity to provide an educational and entertainment venue that is currently not readily available in East Fort Bend County. Per the memorandum of understanding, the City committed \$6M to modernization of the building and site work.

**Update:** March 2009-Contractor removing first floor slab, and repairing structural damage through out the facility. Council awarded contract to EE Reed to install civil site package. We are waiting for their performance and payment bonds to be submitted to complete the contract for signatures. The landscape package is nearing completion and will go out to for bids in early April.

June 2009 The project has been broken up into three phases. Phase one is the interior upfit of the building. Phase two is the civil site work which includes site drainage and grading, parking lots, and underground utilities. Phase three is the landscape package. Phase one is nearing 60% completion and is on time and budget. Phase two is nearing 90% completion and is on time and budget. Phase three is to bid in June. Phase one: Contractor installing mechanical systems such as chiller, piping and associated duct work. The main steel frames are up, floor pans in and ready for concrete pour for second and third floors around south tower connections to elevator and east-west second floor wings. The elevator pit is ready and masonry walls are up. Plumbing is roughed in, insulation in ceilings nearly complete, and crews continue installing exterior windows.

July 2009-

August 2009-

September 2009- Project complete. Museum setting up displays for an October 3 opening.